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Colo. man opens fire on White House

BY DAVE FINTZEN
HATCHET REPORTER

A Colorado man carrying a concealed assault weapon opened fire on the White House Saturday afternoon.

Francisco Martin Duran, 26, fired approximately 20 to 30 rounds before being wrestled to the ground by two citizens and the Secret Service. Duran was charged Sunday with willfully damaging federal property and possession of a firearm after having been convicted of a felony.

According to Robert Haines, one of the citizens who tackled the fleeing gunman, Duran had been standing around the White House for at least a half an hour before the shooting.

Haines, an independent who ran for president in 1992 and will run again in 1996, said he spoke to Duran at about 2:30 p.m.

"He asked me about 10 questions about what I would do if I were president," he said.

Haines then left the area of the White House with his 16-month-old son Robert to eat lunch. He returned to the White House a little before 3 p.m., when he again spoke to Duran, telling him he had answered his questions and had to be leaving. Minutes later, Duran opened fire on the White House.

According to witnesses, Duran, who was standing to the right center of the White House, opened his light-colored trench coat and took aim through the bars of the fence. The shots struck the mansion near the West Wing press room and shattered a window. The gunman then unsuccessfully attempted to reload the gun before fleeing toward the Treasury Building.

A man identified only as Harry



photo by Dave Fintzen

Robert Haines talks to the press outside the White House after finishing a round of questioning with Secret Service agents.

chased Duran about 80 feet before pushing him to the ground. Haines, who was also in pursuit, jumped on the man and attempted to pull the gun away.

"I grabbed the gun so that (Duran) wouldn't shoot Harry," Haines said. The Secret Service then hurdled the fence and took Duran into custody.

The shots sent tourists and passersby running for cover. One witness was working in Lafayette Park when he heard the shots. He watched as Haines left his son and

chased Duran.

"He's a better man than me," said the witness, who declined to give his name.

It is unclear what Duran's motivations for the shooting might have been. The Colorado Springs man, who was reported missing by his wife on Oct. 1, was identified as a gun enthusiast who wore camouflage clothing day and night, The Washington Post reported.

Haines said Duran "asked intelligent questions and seemed normal."

Milton to be renamed for late first lady

Name will honor alumna Onassis

BY MICHELLE VON EUW
NEWS EDITOR

The University will change the name of Milton Hall to Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy Onassis Hall in honor of the late first lady and GW alumna, GW President Steven Joel Trachtenberg said.

The Board of Trustees decided Thursday to allow the University to make the change.

Onassis, who died this summer, graduated from the Columbian College in 1951.

A name-changing ceremony will be held some time in the future.

"We want to consult with both the residents of Milton and the Residence Hall Association to decide when the name change will go into effect," Trachtenberg said.

He said the Board of Trustees authorized the name change, but the idea came from within the University. RHA President David Cleary said the RHA made the suggestion last June to honor Onassis by giving her name to a campus building.

"I was pushing to name the new residence hall after her," Cleary said. But he added that it was "much more realistic" to change the name of an existing hall.

Milton Hall was purchased with its name attached, so the University will not slight anyone, Trachtenberg said.

Cleary said he thought Milton was selected before other residence halls because of its visibility. "It's located on a high-traffic street, and it's the first thing people see when they get off the Metro," Cleary said. "You could call it the corner of campus."

Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy Onassis Hall would probably be too long a name to use, Trachtenberg said. It will be up to the students to decide how to refer to the hall.

Cleary said Milton Hall residents' input will be valuable in this decision during the next few weeks. An informal survey may be taken to get student's opinions.

Cleary said he is leaning toward "Bouvier Hall," because that was Onassis' name when she attended GW.

"I think we should let nature take its course" in the naming process, Trachtenberg said. He added that the mailing address will most likely be JBKO Hall, but beyond that, "it's hard to know."

The name change could occur as early as next semester, or could be delayed until the summer.

"It would be nice to do it during Homecoming or around graduation," Cleary said.

Members of the Kennedy family will be invited to the ceremony, Cleary added. Trachtenberg said he would like to find classmates of Onassis who would remember her days at GW to participate in the ceremony.

"It deserves a little bit of fussing," he said.

Student Association President Al Park, who attended the Board of Trustees meeting at which the decision was announced, said the name change came as a surprise to him.

"I think that it's a wonderful idea," Park said. "It will be great if the University would go all out and do a nice job."

Court ruling against race scholarships riles students

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI
NEWS EDITOR

A recent Maryland court ruling declaring a scholarship program for black students unconstitutional may not affect GW students, but it still brings up issues that stir strong feelings on any college campus.

The ruling involved the Benjamin Banneker Scholarships, given to needy black students at the University of Maryland. A

Latino student who applied for one of the scholarships and who was turned down took his case to court. A federal judge ruled that the program was unconstitutional.

GW does not have any similar scholarships offered directly through the University, according to Ruthe Kaplan, assistant director of the Office of Student Financial Assistance. Kaplan said all of GW's scholarships are merit-based or need-based. Scholarships that are designated for black students or

other minorities are only available to GW students who apply for them through private institutions.

The Presidential Academic Scholarship is awarded to finalists in the National Hispanic Achievement program, but is also awarded to National Merit Scholars and is not a race-based scholarship.

"I think we really have the best system," Kaplan said.

But some black students at GW were concerned that the ruling

takes opportunity away from others like themselves.

"Were they denied because they weren't qualified or because of race?" asked Black Peoples' Union President Richard Carter. He said having minority scholarships is a "necessity."

"(Blacks) have been excluded for a long time from the educational process," Carter said. But he also said he hoped scholarships would be available for all minority students, not only blacks.

"My understanding was that these scholarships were for underprivileged students," freshman Lawrence Stroud said. "By taking them away they are denying poor students an opportunity."

"I think it is an absolute injustice," said William Bacquilod, a member of the campus group A.N.K.H. Het Auset. "All people of color have been denied equal access to education. This is taking away a program that attempted to compensate for that."

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What would George think about his overused motif?

Maybe it's just the Halloween spirit overtaking me, but I think I saw the ghost of our University's illustrious namesake. He was wearing a basketball shirt under a military uniform and waving a hatchet with a Styrofoam blade.

Would anyone be surprised if the original GW really did haunt the campus? He does meet the criteria for ghosthood: he's dead and has reason to be pissed. "That prancing freak with a huge papier mâché head is supposed to be me?"

Seriously, how do you think ol'

GW would feel seeing cartoon images of himself plastered on every piece of University property, from buildings to telephone directories to cutesy references like Georgio's restaurant? How about The Cherry Tree Yearbook and Wooden Teeth, which are based on false myths about the man? I suspect the founding father would be appalled at the cheesiness. The GW motif is wildly out of hand.

This begs another question: Why is the University's nickname the Colonials? Isn't that an insult

to the guy fought for the right not to be a colonial subject? Why can't we be the Statesmen or the Patriots or even the Whigs? We may as well be called the Loyalists to His Excellency King of the Glorious British Empire George IV. This question needs to be addressed, by our Student Association leaders who fritter their time away producing phone directories and hanging out with ANC members.

Anyway, for those of you not dressing up as GW's ghost this

Halloween, fear not. I have plenty of suggestions for costumes guaranteed to help you rake in the candy and win tacky door prizes.

You want weirdness? Go as Trachtenberg and have your date be an advisory neighborhood commissioner. You want humor? Be a philosophy major with a job. You want gore? Wear a starched suit and be Al or borrow the wig from the GW mascot and be Tipper. You want terror? A 1995-'96 tuition bill.

If those don't reap enough goodies for you, you can always rely on dressing as a college student and trick-or-treating your parents.

Freeloading off the parents certainly worked for me this year. Actually, I just returned from a week in Florida with the 'rents. So pardon me if I'm a little out of touch with things. Did Marion Barry drop out of the mayoral race? Did the federal budget deficit disappear? Did the National Hockey League season start? You know the old expression: it's good to get away, but it's a major buzzkill to get back.

Returning to GW is not quite a return to reality, however. Previously this column observed similarities between Walt DisneyWorld and our own UniversityLand. Now, after five days in The Happiest Place on Earth, the parallels are more clear. In many ways we really are a theme park.

For example, like Walt DisneyWorld, GW operates as its own municipality with police, citizens, politicians, infrastructure,

buildings and bureaucracy. GW also markets itself like a theme park, with constant attention paid to upgrading and promoting the University's image.

But it's the small psychological things that really make the theme park experience work. In DisneyWorld you see Mickey everywhere and hear theme songs constantly, so you wander around for days humming "It's a Small World." Trust me, this does strange things to the psyche. This is the sort of tactic GW is pursuing with the clocks and banners and sneakers.

Some have even suggested that Mickey Mouse was purposely designed with a large head and wide, smiling face to resemble a human baby - the better to invoke the warm feelings we hold for our young. I suspect Trachtenberg was chosen for those same qualities.

GW would do well to continue pursuing the total-quality attitude of Disney theme park productions. However, I hope one important difference remains. At GW we can see over the tall trees to the real world beyond. In DisneyWorld, we forget what's going on in the outside world. Here, we get a front row seat and sometimes even the chance to participate. After all, that's why we're here.

In the meantime, I'm trick-or-treating as Trachtenberg wearing Mickey Mouse ears. With all the warm feelings being invoked, I'm sure to get a lot of candy.

-John Rega

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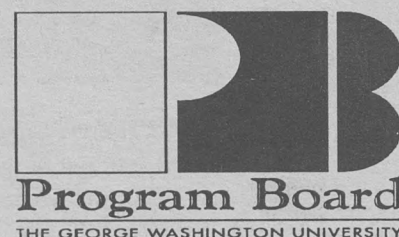
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M.C. renovation plans 'still up in the air'

GW, community parley over design

BY JUSTIN BERGMAN
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Marvin Center Director Steve Sitrin said "a lot of things are still up in the air" regarding the current status of the planned Marvin Center renovations.

The University has not decided which areas of the building to renovate and which areas to expand with a limited budget, Sitrin said.

"Our goal is to have the project defined within the next month," he added.

The University also is waiting for a zoning order and the final confirmation of its renovation budget, Sitrin said. He added that GW is still looking for additional ways to fund a few extra projects in the building.

Although the first part of the Marvin Center renovations was completed this summer in the J Street food court on the first floor, extensive negotiations with the Advisory Neighborhood Commission temporarily delayed construction on the rest of the building.

GW and its usual adversary, the Foggy Bottom neighborhood, worked together this summer in an attempt to compromise on the designs to appease the West End apartment tenants next door.

Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner Edward Kelly said the dialogue was a "positive thing" for future University/community

relations, although the larger issue concerning changes to the renovation designs was never resolved.

Kelly said the University agreed in the spring to change its designs for the Marvin Center renovations "if the (the West End Tenants Association and the ANC) could come up with an alternative scheme which would achieve the University plans and keep the cost within \$1.5 million of the original total."

The two main changes the ANC wanted to make to the original plans were the addition of an enclosed loading dock to keep the sound of delivery trucks down and a roof set back on the north side of the building further from the West End apartment building.

The ANC hired an independent architect to look at the building plans and the group met with the University for six months to talk about proposed changes to the designs. However, Kelly said the new designs could not be brought under the agreed upon \$1.5 million, and the dialogue between the University and the ANC ended in August.

Although the larger issue was not resolved, Kelly said the University agreed to cooperate with the neighborhood on several smaller points, such as the repaving of the West End parking lot after construction is finished.

"We all left with hope for good relations in the future, too," Kelly said.

Man attacked and robbed in front of Milton Hall Sunday

A man attacked and robbed another man in front of Milton Hall Sunday morning, University Police said.

UPD Director Dolores Stafford said the suspect approached the man in front of Milton at 11:45 a.m. and asked him for money. When the man said he did not have any, the suspect pushed him into the wall of the building.

The suspect then said he had a knife, although he did not show nor use one, Stafford said. The victim gave him \$30 after the suspect threatened him. The suspect then fled east on I Street. Police were unable to locate him.

The suspect was described as a 25- to 30-year-old black man, who was 6 feet tall and weighing 180 pounds. He was wearing a tan coat, brown pants and a tan shirt.

Stafford said Sunday evening she was uncertain whether the victim was a GW student.

An attempted robbery also took place Saturday morning. A GW housekeeping employee was emptying trash on the loading dock behind the Academic Center at 6:05 a.m. when a man approached him and demanded money.

The employee said he did not have any money, and the suspect then ran through the alley toward H Street, Stafford said. Police were unable to locate him.

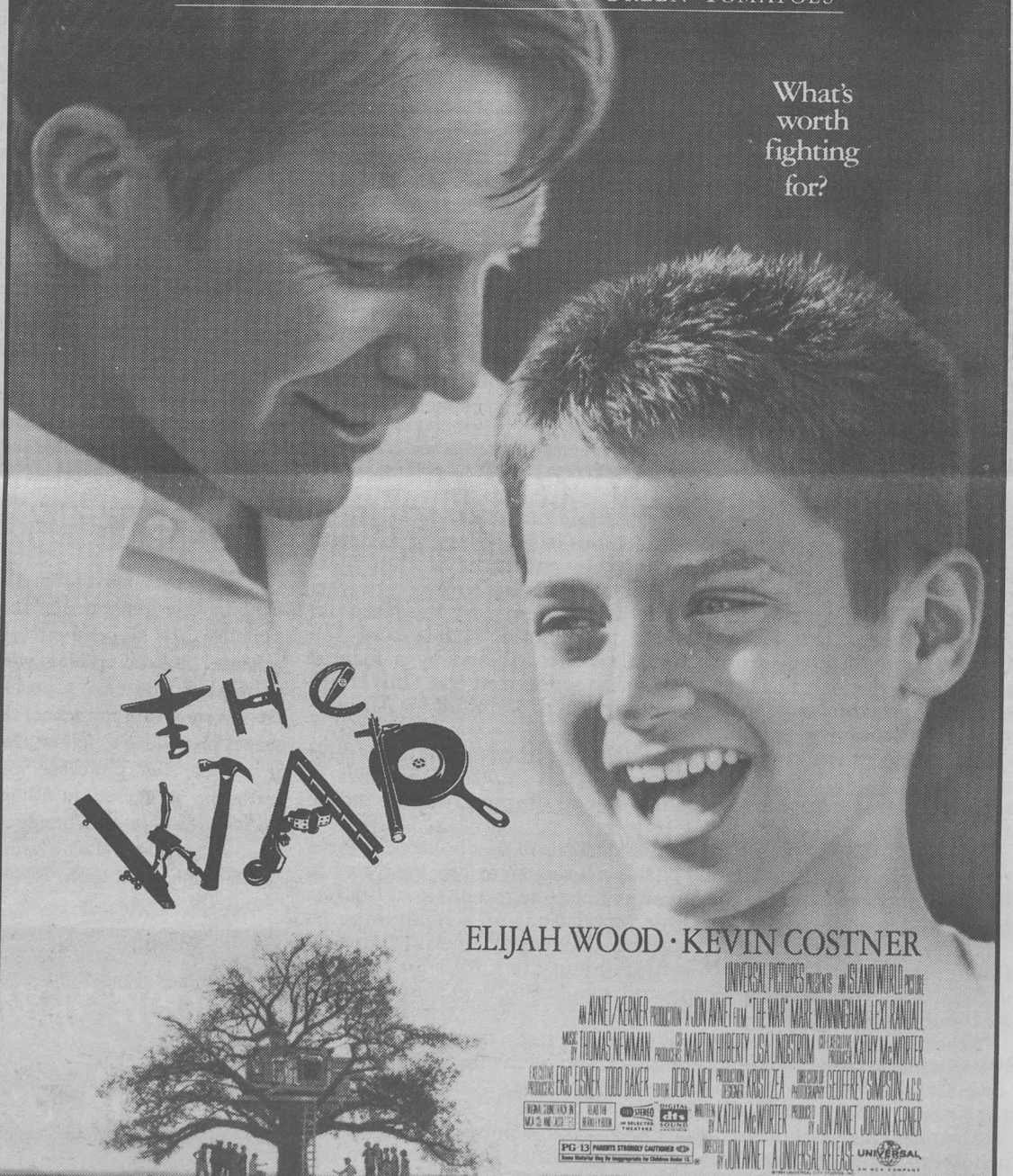
The suspect was described as a 25- to 30-year-old black man who was 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighing 150 pounds. He was wearing a brown coat and jeans.

Stafford said it is possible the same man committed both robberies.

-Donna Brutkoski

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Building walls

The day of the assassination of John F. Kennedy in 1963 was the last time a president was seen in an open-air motorcade. When President Reagan was shot in 1981, presidents stopped walking to their limousines and are now shuttled in parking lots away from the public eye. Undoubtedly, the plane crash on the White House lawn in September and Saturday's barrage of bullets toward the West Wing will again change the way the president is protected. Every time there is a breach of security this drastic, the screws are tightened a little more.

The Secret Service has advocated a hard line to protect the president. Officers argue correctly that by closing several blocks of Pennsylvania Avenue near the White House, the Secret Service could better guarantee President Clinton's safety. Perhaps building a wall around the White House would have a similar deterring effect. But while effective, these draconian measures would build more than a concrete wall between the people and the president. It would greatly damage the notion of the White House as the "people's house," as Clinton himself called it.

President Eisenhower often complained he was no longer a person when he was in office. He told friends that he had become little more than a caged animal.

The answer for this problem, however, is not removing the president from his constituency. The Secret Service must, instead, step up measures to protect the president, even if that means doubling the patrols outside the White House gate. The suspect allegedly fired almost 30 rounds from his semi-automatic rifle before he was tackled by civilians. Why wasn't he stopped immediately by the Secret Service?

Assuming greater control of the security of the White House and the president can be achieved without locking the president away from the American people. To do so would take something tangible and intangible away from democracy in America. Many presidents, especially Clinton, thrive on interaction with the population. Robbing them of that would be overkill, especially when there are options that could be tried first.

One for all

No one will deny the need to get more of members of minority groups into college in the hope that they can achieve what their parents were not offered. Few will dispute the legitimacy and worthiness of private scholarships, like those offered by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the United Negro College Fund. But a recent decision by a federal appeals court ruled in favor of a Latino student at the University of Maryland who was denied a scholarship designated for African-American students.

This case raises controversial questions about minority scholarships at public schools. It illustrates the innate unfairness of minority scholarships that single out one ethnic group at public institutions.

If a private benefactor wishes to designate a scholarship for a particular minority, that is his or her prerogative. The best way to bring minorities together, however, is not to segment them further by placing specific racial or ethnic restrictions on scholarships.

But a public school, such as the University of Maryland, is funded by tax dollars, and it is fundamentally unfair for the university to distribute state-sponsored scholarships to some minorities and not others.

State schools can achieve a similar effect by offering need-based scholarships to the minorities they are trying to reach with specific scholarships. These are mostly the poor minority students they are trying to reach, anyway.

Despite good intentions, tax dollars must not be used to offer scholarships that discriminate among minorities. That is the responsibility of private groups, and public schools should not share in that capacity.

Honor code will normalize policy for whole University



Graham T. Klemm

The words "honor code" bring with them innumerable connotations. On this campus, some of these connotations are to be proven false with the introduction of an academic honor code that has been gaining support and debate in recent weeks. This code defies some of the principles traditionally thought to be mandatory in an academic honor code.

Premier among these digressions from traditional codes is that this one is a product of the entire community. For the two years that this code has been in the working. People from virtually every section of the University have had their input in the writing and rewriting of this proposal.

Further, this honor code proposal addresses the flaws in the current system. For example, I am a student in the School of Business and Public Management, and yet I am not familiar with the procedure that my school has in place for academic dishonesty. In conversing with students from other schools on this campus, I have realized that this is a commonality among us.

The answer most often given to explain this quagmire is that the policies are dependent on the school. I have no problem with this policy, but I do have a problem in that even within my school there is no set procedure to follow. In some instances, the professor has the authority to decide, in others, the decision lies in the hands of the dean. Regardless of who handles or decides the case, there is one con-

stant: inconsistency in the punishment.

There should be no disparity in the system. A student guilty of cheating should not get a lecture from a professor in one school, but fail the course in another for the same infraction. The minimum requirement of any system that enforces academic infractions should be consistency — that is not the case now.

I do not understand how a University can justify punishing students of equal infractions in entirely separate fashions, its lunacy. Disparate treatment of students must be abolished for the betterment of the University. We cannot, in good faith, uphold such a system and refer to it as fair.

One facet of this code that I am particularly adamant about is the provision that does not require one student to turn another in for an academic infraction. This is one of the areas that is traditionally thought to be a prerequisite for any honor code, but it is not. If a student does not feel that he does not have enough evidence, enough gumption, or enough authority to turn in another student for an academic infraction, then I do not feel he should be required to turn in the student. This is reinforced in the code, in that there are no sanctions for not turning another student in.

Another plus of this proposal is that it makes the school more efficient. This proposal replaces the structures in place for all the individual schools and sets up one system. In essence, the proposal promises to do away with six separate bureaucracies and supplant them with one. Considering how rarely a university contracts rather than expands, this is a noteworthy feature.

A great many people on this

campus continually ask why we need the honor code. Some of these same people complain, in the same breath, of the lack of a communal feeling on the campus. The proposal will be a step closer to providing GW with that sense of community. For the first time, everyone on this campus will be bound by the same consistent policies of academic integrity. We will be establishing a system that will do away with unequal treatment. We will become one of the very few universities in the nation that can take pride in the fact that we have implemented a system that does away with the "us vs. them" mentality. The levels of respect and mutual trust will invariably increase as a result of this code.

As with any major policy change, this process is a lengthy one. At this point the hard copy of the honor code is in its final phase of reworking. It is time for this code to be implemented as policy in this University. This campus needs unifying change in order to improve the image of the University, and this code will help bring us closer to that goal. While the language of the code can be disputed and changed, the concept of an honor code at this University is one that has persisted for several years. Let us, together, act upon the perpetual dream of an honor code and implement this one. It embodies the best of the codes to come along and I am confident that its passage will only help to promote and better GW.

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OPINION

Who says I'm too old for trick or treating?

Some of my best memories from childhood revolve around Halloween.

From the first day of school, I would eagerly anticipate the days until Oct. 31. I spent hours dreaming up elaborate costume designs – a vampire or a football player or Princess Diana. Of course, my actual costumes never quite resembled my schemes: As Tammy Faye Baker, for example, I looked much more like the Bride of Frankenstein after a run-in with yellow hair spray.

I miss those days. I remember being so excited to come to school in Washington, because I heard from my student admissions representative that students trick-or-treated at the embassies and got cool little flags.

Halloween fell on a weekend my first two years here, and supposedly the embassies were not open. I never quite figured it out, and I never met anyone who actually made it to Embassy Row to beg for candy or those cool flags.

I also heard how wonderful M Street was on Oct. 31. The boots for my witch costume were too uncomfortable, and the evening was too cold not to wear a coat, so I ended up scrapping my disguise and going to Georgetown as myself.

After wandering up and down the street for awhile, we realized there was not too much else to do other than to continue to wander up and down the street. It was too dark and crowded to really appreciate anyone's costumes, except a couple who were dressed like the Clintons and were surrounded by Secret Service agents. Clinton was running for president at the time, and for about five minutes I was not too sure if I wasn't following the future first couple.

The experience made me long for the days of when I dressed up as Roger Clemens and harassed all my neighbors. Think about how great college would be if people didn't only open their doors to those 4 feet tall and short in the Best Buddies program.

But even without our attics and basements, we could still have lots of fun dressing up as strange beings – that's what roommates are for, right? And can you imagine how happy Mrs. Trachtenberg or Mrs. Chernak would be to see us on their doorsteps at 7 p.m.?

Here at GW, we are always looking for ways to get something for nothing. And what could be better than free candy? We are older now, which means that we can walk a lot faster and stay out a lot later. More houses, more candy. And no obligation to share with our siblings or hand morsels over to our parents to be checked for poison.

Halloween should be a holiday you do not need to be a little kid to fully enjoy. Tonight, don't be too shocked to see a someone who looks surprisingly like a 20-year-old college student knocking on your door and holding out a bag.

Michelle Von Euw, a junior, is news editor of The GW Hatchet.

What's in that briefcase? Ask SJT

I went and saw that movie that everyone's talking about, Pulp Fiction. Of course I didn't go see it just because everyone's talking about it. I like my fair share of gore and violence too, and well, Quentin Tarantino is really sick. I went to see the movie and I wasn't disappointed; there was a whole lot of blood (and brains too, hanging in Samuel L. Jackson's impressive hair), but I didn't expect to be confronted with a mystery that would eat at me until I finally had to do something about it. I mean it really kept me up at night! I just had to find out what was in that briefcase.

For those of you who haven't seen the movie and don't mind my spilling the beans, gang enforcers John Travolta (yes, he can still dance) and Jackson visit three, I mean four guys, because they screwed their collective boss. About what we don't know, but in addition to killing everyone and quoting scripture, they also retrieved a briefcase. When Travolta opens the briefcase to check its contents, a golden glow emanates from within. John is momentarily entranced by the briefcase's contents, so much so, Jackson must repeat himself. The briefcase is closed, its contents never explained.

The briefcase returns in a later vignette of the skewed plot line. Following fantastically morbid adventures, John and Sam stop at a diner before completing their task of returning the briefcase to their boss. While eating, the diner is held up. The would-be thieves demand Sam to open the briefcase, which he ultimately does. Again we don't get a glimpse of the still golden glowing interior. The

would-be thief says, "Is that what I think it is?" A gun in his hand cannot dispense the awe that creeps into his voice.

"Yes," is Sam's succinct reply.

"It's beautiful!" almost religious fervor this time.

So you can see why I was so intrigued. I'm sure you are right now, too. Discussing the contents with my friends got me no where so I decided to go to the source. Quentin himself. Using journalistic pull and calling in a few favors, I finally got his home phone number. He's really not all that hard to reach. Something about not being a part of that Hollywood thing,

Adam Krischer

and how everyone's an effete snob or something like that. He really is sick (his answering machine message sounded like an orgasmic woman and a chain saw with the Pulp Fiction theme music in the background) he picked up after I had already heard 15 seconds of his answering machine message.

"Hello? Sorry, I was in the bathroom."

"Hi, my name is Adam Krischer with The GW Hatchet. I was calling about your new movie, Pulp Fiction. I was wondering what was in the briefcase."

"Oh! That! Well ... it's a joke between me and my friend Steve Track."

I heard a sudden gasp on the other side of the connection.

"GW Hatchet? GW as in George Washington University?"

"Uh, yeah," I replied cautiously. Click.

No good-bye, no nothing. He hung up on me just like that! I called right back and wasn't a bit surprised to find that the line was busy. Why did he hang up on me when I told him I was from GW? Wait a minute. Maybe his friend wasn't Steve Track, but Steve Trach, as in Steve Trachtenberg! It was all coming clear! I mean, who else would know Steven Joel Trachtenberg better than The GW Hatchet, aside from Alan Dershowitz.

I rushed from my desk at The Hatchet's new office to Rice Hall. I walked straight to President Trachtenberg's office.

"Is he in? I need to talk to him! It's an emergency!" I demanded of his secretary. I was raving like a lunatic. The flecks of spittle on my chin weren't helping either.

"President Trachtenberg has special student visiting hours, if you'd like to ..."

I didn't even let her finish, I couldn't, I was too caught up in it now. I was too close!

"It's an emergency!" I repeated, "I need to speak to him now! What's in that briefcase?"

I don't know how it happened, I certainly didn't see it happen, she must have a call button on her desk, but one minute I was standing there, full of righteous indignation, and the next I was being forcibly removed from His office by three big uniformed men with dark sunglasses and earphones in their ears (where else?!)

"But wait! I gotta talk to him. I talked to Quentin! I know about the briefcase! I know about the joke!!!"

But to no avail. All I could do was spit foam on their immaculate uniforms. I might as well have been speaking to a brick wall, or three brick walls for that matter. All I remember about those three large men were their badges: "University Police Special Forces."

And that's my story. Now, whenever I go to Trachtenberg's office, I am politely, but firmly, turned away. Trachtenberg never returns the messages I leave on his home phone's answering machine. And so all I can do now is speculate. Which is where I was at the start of this mess. But I'm convinced now of the connection between Quentin, Steve and the briefcase. What was in that briefcase? GW's \$300 million endowment? GW's plan to beat the ANC and complete the WETA building? Maybe even the deed to all of Foggy Bottom itself? Maybe it was something as mundane as a copy of the Playboy magazine with Steve's smiling face gracing the back cover in a Dewar's Scotch ad? Your guess is as good as mine. But I'll never stop looking. I know where to look now, and I still have a few more favors left to call in.

Adam Krischer, a sophomore, is majoring in English.



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Be sure to look for the Quality of Life Survey this March so you can help us continue to improve. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact Chris Bass at 994-6688 or Bret Caldwell at 994-7470.

GW women often know their rapist

UPD course teaches women to defend

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI
NEWS EDITOR

Recently, students such as the marchers in last week's Take Back the Night rally have demanded safer streets in and around campus.

However, women at GW may be more in danger from a male co-worker or casual acquaintance than from an unknown attacker, according to statistics from the past three years.

University Police Director Dolores Stafford said three rapes were reported on campus since 1992. Two of those incidents took place in 1992 and one in 1994. All three were incidents of acquaintance rape.

Stafford said many rape victims ask for confidentiality in acquaintance rape cases when they know who their attacker is. This was the case with the 1994 incident, she said.

University Police sponsors the Rape Aggression Defense program, in which women can learn self-defense techniques to help protect themselves from sexual assault.

This year, UPD instituted a higher-level program, RAD II, for women who had completed the first level.

UPD's two escort vans have also become an increasingly popular way for students to stay safe after dark. Stafford has said she feels the escort service is contributing to a lower crime rate on campus so far this year.

Steve Van Wagoner of the GW Counseling Center said various campus groups work with the Counseling Center to educate students about sexual assault. A peer education program trains counselors to provide assistance and education to their fellow students.

"We especially want to help increase men's awareness by making them sensitive to issues of power," Van Wagoner said.

Van Wagoner said that although "D.C. is a violent city, Foggy Bottom is nothing like Southeast." However, he added that the fact that GW is an urban campus presents "the reality that people need to be very careful."

"Students should be aware of their surroundings and take precautions," Wagoner said.

Students who register early find few spring schedules

Student copies of the spring semester's Schedule of Classes arrived on campus Friday, earlier than previous years but still too late to aid athletes and honors students who pre-registered last week.

A special effort was made to get the copies out for these students, but because of problems with a new computer program for room assignments, they were delayed, University Scheduling Officer Helen Stetter said.

"The earlier the individual copies come out, the more changes there will be. There is a tussle between wanting to get it out with plenty of time for people to see and digest versus achieving maximum accuracy," Stetter said.

Students who pre-registered had to make do with the few copies available to them.

"I had to go out of my way to the athletic department in the basement of Stuart Hall and wait in line to use the one copy they had," freshman crew member Abigail Sanford said.

The Honors Program office had two copies and photocopied a third.

"I don't think it's fair to expect them to have individual copies ready for pre-registration," said Min Kim, academic adviser for the Honors Program.

However, the schedule was available to students on the computer information system GWIS.

-Lee Rumbarger

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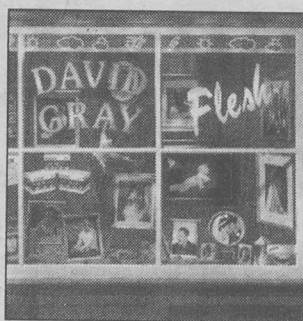
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Panel ponders gridlock, two-party political system

BY DOUGLAS PARKER
NEWS EDITOR

A panel of politicians and journalists gathered at the National Press Club Thursday to debate gridlock and the midterm elections, but the discussion quickly broadened to the workings of the two-party system.

Marvin Kalb, a visiting professor at GW and moderator of the debate, got the discussion rolling. "Can anything be done to turn this gridlock into something positive progress, encouraging for the American people?" he asked.

In their first responses, the panelists shied away from constructive criticism. George McGovern, former U.S. senator and presidential candidate, praised the nation.

"I think we've got the best civil service in the world," he said.

Then McGovern went on to chastise inexperienced candidates who were running negative campaigns.

"I find myself wondering why many of these people want to come to Washington," he said. "They treat the national capital as though it were some kind of cesspool. You wonder why they want to become a member of Congress or live in this terrible city."

The debate delved deeper after American Political Report editor Kelvin Phillips' opening remarks. Phillips cited a poll in Time magazine that sparked debate among the panelists.

"The first result that I found so striking was that people were asked, 'Was it enough to change the faces in Washington, or did you have to change the system?' Sixty-one percent said change the system," he said.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson said the problems with the U.S. Congress is the two parties are too similar.

"When you have what I call one party with two names headlocked, agreeing on the same set of assumptions, they're competing with who can get the most of what both of them fundamentally agree to," he said.

McGovern responded to this by blasting the "middle of the road" democrats.

"I don't know of any positive program now generally supported by both Republicans and Democrats that did not begin as a liberal initiative over conservative opposition," he said.

ABC Political Coordinator Catherine Berger backed the statement that Republicans were slowing progress.

"(The GOP leadership) feels it's their duty to hinder this president's legislative agenda. You've got a recipe for gridlock," she said.

Kalb shifted the talk away from partisan discussion to try and find solutions to gridlock.

Jackson thought gridlock could not be stopped by campaign reform or term limits alone.

"The American people again have been so transfixed by television," he said, "too many have been reduced to spectators as opposed to activists."

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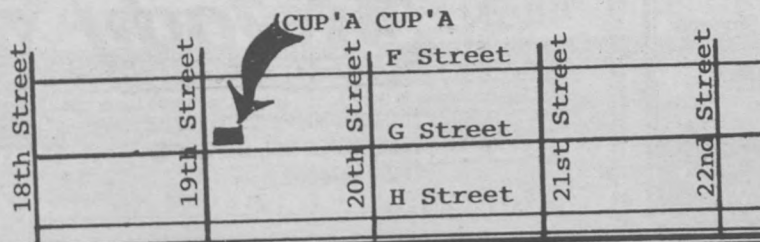
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Fraternity hopes to work 500 hours making homes

BY JUSTIN HECKMAN
HATCHET REPORTER

The Phi Kappa Psi fraternity has undertaken an ambitious community service project: procure 500 volunteer hours of home-building.

This project, the Phi Psi 500, is designed to generate 500 volunteer hours from Greek-letter organizations. All of the hours are being used to build a house with the organizational help of Habitat for Humanity.

"We've gone out to help Habitat as a group, but never on this scale," said Brian Geyer, philanthropy chairman for Phi Kappa Psi.

The 500 hours will be spread over a five-week period, but Geyer added, "If we can get enough people excited about the project, we may extend it."

As a second part of the project, Phi Kappa Psi will host a party at the Zei Club. All proceeds will be donated to the Habitat project.

"We expect to raise enough money to help Habitat finish this house and maybe enough to start the next one," Geyer said.

The house is being built as part of "Project Blueprint," a plan set up by various campus chapters of Habitat for Humanity. The house is being built almost completely by college students, with help from

the future homeowner and from local businesses.

"This is a very significant thing, both for us and for them," Jonathan Ford of Habitat-D.C. said. "To do this kind of project builds great team spirit and community spirit. We're working in a great neighborhood, but not the kind of place students might usually go in their daily travels."

The Phi Psi 500 has been limited to Greek-letter organizations primarily because of limits on the number of volunteers that Habitat for Humanity can handle at one time. Many fraternities and sororities do perform community service, but this is an organized effort "on a large scale," Geyer said.

While limiting participation to fraternities and sororities, Geyer said the organization wants "to keep the rest of the campus involved, and let other students know Greek organizations are being productive." To facilitate this involvement, Phi Kappa Psi will be posting regular updates.

"I'm really happy about the response so far," Geyer said. "If the response keeps up, we'll definitely do it again next spring."

Construction on the house began in September and should be finished in December.

Disabled Student Services holds fifth Disability Awareness Week

Disabled Student Services held its fifth annual Disability Awareness Week, including events that are aimed at "educating the campus to create a climate that encourages the participation of disabled students in campus life," Director Christy Willis said.

Some of the events included lectures on higher education and disability law and human services funding for the 1990s.

The week also included several entertainers. The GW No Tones sign language cabaret and the "sit-down comedian" performed.

Among the week's speakers were a Paralympic athlete who competed in Barcelona in 1992 and a student with AIDS.

The cap-off event of the week, the Wheelchair Olympics, was scheduled for Saturday but were canceled. Willis declined to explain why.

-Shannon Joyce



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Low-budget *Clerks* cashes in with big laughs

BY DAVID LARIMER
ARTS EDITOR

In an era where the average movie budget runs in excess of \$30 million and everyone goes bananas over \$100 million special effects, a lot of people will endorse a small budget film for being just that. Many seem to lower their standards for anyone who proves a movie can indeed be made for less than the gross domestic product of several small nations.

Clerks, a comedy detailing a bizarre day in the life of register jockey Dante (Brian O'Halloran) and his pal Randal (Jeff Anderson), who works at the video store next door — has generated quite a stir the past few months on the film festival circuit, some of it on the basis of its \$27,000 budget. But is the praise really deserved?

Well, yes and no. The editing is often poor and the direction sometimes stagnates. The acting is flat out bad, with a cast consisting largely of New Jersey community theater types who don't show the talent necessary to go further. Ironically, only Anderson, who had never before acted, shows any charm or natural ability in his portrayal of wisecracking Randal.

Fortunately, "yes" outweighs it. Frankly, it's hard to knock anyone who has the not only the artistic creativity to make a film like *Clerks*, but the financial creativity to do it for less than what some people pay for a car.

During the making of the film, writer/director Kevin Smith actually worked at the very Quick Stop store where the movie is set. Closing the store at 10:30 p.m., Smith and producer Scott Mosier

would film and edit until the store reopened at 6 a.m. Smith slept during the day between shifts.

The film succeeds with the same kind of savvy. *Clerks* smirks in the face of the much ballyhooed Generation X angst, leaving the message that no one's forcing these young adults to work at dead-end jobs.

The day begins at 5 a.m., with Dante's boss asking him to cover the opening shift. Though his plans to sleep in late and play some hockey are ruined, Dante grudgingly obliges, whining all the while about his crappy job.

From there, *Clerks* is largely a series of comic vignettes, adding up to the sum total of all the freaks ever spotted in a convenience store. In what amounts to the plot, Dante worries whether to dump his current girlfriend (Marilyn

Gigliotti) so he can go after his engaged high school flame (Lisa Spoonauer). Several twists and turns, as well as some blunt, often riotously funny one-liners, make the film play out like an R-rated episode of "Seinfeld."

Clerks, solely on the merits of

Smith's obvious screenwriting talent, will be an underground hit. Add to that its gritty, low budget ethic and it could very well end up a cult classic. Whether Smith and Mosier are one-hit wonders remains to be seen, but *Clerks* pays off.



Randal (Jeff Anderson, l.) and Dante (Brian O'Halloran, r.) take a break after a hard day at the cash register.

Clerks soundtrack aspires to be the next *Singles*

When I came to college, I never thought I would regress so much.

As I've traveled through my college career, most of the conversations I've had lately with my roommates, friends and neighbors has not revolved around politics or other important issues, but things from our childhood. Things like comic books, cartoons and — sorry, yes — Underoos.

How does this all tie into the soundtrack to the new film *Clerks* (Chaos)? Simple. When I first heard this LP, it immediately reminded me of when I was 13-years-old. At that time, I was receiving my first primer to modern music — the noise of heavy metal, the sophistication of folk rock, the absoluteness of punk.

And this album is just that. A mixture of modern bands playing in a variety of genres and several good

covers (Golden Smog's "Shooting Star," Love Among Freaks' "Berserker" and Seaweed's "Go Your Own Way"). The songs seem to be the themes of the kids who hang out in front of convenience stores.

From Soul Ayslum's "Can't Even Tell" to Girls Against Boys' "Kill the Sex Player" to "Got Me Wrong" by Alice in Chains, this album surfs throughout an entire sampling of all types of vividly remembered modern rock.

Will this be the *Singles* soundtrack for '94-'95? Maybe. But it promises many people that they will remember themselves at 13 when they first heard this type of music. For others, it will remind them they just never stopped being young adults.

— Mark Esposito

Samples, *Widespread* go their own ways

BY BEN OSBORNE
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The Samples and Widespread Panic, two enjoyable groups in the increasingly popular genre one could describe as "mellow rock that can always be found on tour," have each recently released albums that would make a good purchase for any music fan.

Both of these bands gained notoriety on the H.O.R.D.E. tour in the summer of 1993, and each has been received increased attention during the last few years. With their most recent efforts, both groups should continue to gain more fans, although Widespread Panic may impress people a little faster than The Samples.

Widespread is the considerably more rocking band, and when done right, its style sounds great. *Ain't Life Grand* is the Athens, Ga.-based band's fourth album, and its most complete effort yet. For a perfect example of Widespread Panic's skill and potential, look no further than the title track.

"Airplane" follows and slows down the pace a little, but not the enjoyment. "Raise the Roof" is the album's mellowest effort, and actually sounds like a track from The Samples. It is a moody, yet pretty, sounding tune.

Two more highlights on the album include "Junior" and "Blackout Blues," probably the second best jam. If any or all of these songs have a "live" feel to them, it is not a coincidence, for most of Widespread Panic's songs have been honed in concert for years.

Despite Widespread's thirst for touring, which is its current occupation, the band is not hitting the D.C. area. So if the members of Widespread Panic actually do not like the District, don't let that prevent you from liking them.

As for The Samples, the band's newest release, *Autopilot*, may not skyrocket anyone's love for the group, but it shouldn't hurt either. The Boulder, Colo., quartet's fifth album is nothing bad, just a little on the familiar side.

Just 12 months after releasing *The Last Drag*, the group's last album, The Samples come back without many changes. They do seem a little more serious, which has been the case with each successive album released.

"As Tears Fall" is particularly somber but well done and sets the tone for the album. "Weight of the World" and "Only You" continue the sorrowful tone, but the album picks up from there.

"Seasons in the City" and "Who Am I" are part of an upbeat, but not too great four-song stretch with more action than the first five. "Dinosaur Bones" and "Buffalo Herds & Windmills" slow it down again at the end, with the latter being more enjoyable.

Putting minor complaints about *Autopilot* aside, The Samples still are a cool band. Just ask anyone who knows some of their early music, including, "Feel Us Shaking."

In light of the band's skill, it would probably be worth it to check them out on Halloween at The Bayou, and at the same time fantasize about seeing Widespread Panic, too.

Wellville just might make you sick

BY LAURA RODRIGUEZ
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The '90s have proven to be the decade of health conscious, stair-climbing fanatics. From shelves full of have-been actresses' work-out videos to Oprah's personal chef listed on the bestsellers' list, healthy bodies and attitudes are definitely in.

Allen Parker's attempt to satirize America's health obsession in his farcical comedy *The Road to Wellville*, however, runs short of breath.

The story opens at the turn of the century at the Battle Creek Sanitarium, run by crusader of good health and Cornflakes inventor, Dr. John Harvey Kellogg (Anthony Hopkins). The assistants at the "san" preach good health and peace of mind to "cleanse the bowels of disease."

Through somewhat dangerous therapeutic sessions, the participants are bathed in electric-induced baths and are subject to numerous injections of yogurt enemas. Abstinence is also practiced because sexual activity results in a loss of bodily fluids that are needed to become a "beacon of good health."

The story is centered on Eleanor (Bridget Fonda) and Will Lightbody

(Matthew Broderick), who attend Battle Creek to search for solutions in their ill-fated lives. Will, whose stomach has endured years of alcoholism and opium, willfully accepts the outlandish practices to save his marriage. Eleanor, meanwhile, convinces herself that the answers to their troubles can only be found at Battle Creek.

On the train ride to the health spa, the couple is introduced to Charles Ossining (John Cusack), a struggling pioneer of breakfast cereal. Ossining's partner swindles their investment and eventually falls into trouble with the law. To complicate matters, Ossining pairs up with George Kellogg (Dana Carvey), the estranged, mischievous adopted son of Dr. Kellogg.

The two subplots never intertwine between the Lightbody's quest for happiness and health and Charles' struggle for success in the cereal industry. The characters' lives have no relevance with one another, and a strong correlation is never developed.

The characters in *The Road to Wellville* also have trouble working together and fall short of presenting any exciting or suspenseful scenes. The audience is constantly introduced to characters that have minimal significance in the story and add to the confusion of trying

to link the characters and events together.

Hopkins' story lines usually are long preaches of how the consumption of red meat leads to the downfall of good health and how erections are nothing but "flagpoles on your grave." Dr. Kellogg's anal behavior becomes annoying, and it is hard to believe that behind the bucked-tooth eccentric doctor is the Oscar-winning Hopkins.

George's zany acts of throwing pig refuse at the guests and setting fire to the sanitarium are good scenes, but they are not enough. Carvey has a remarkable flair for portraying bizarre, outcast characters, but his performance is no stretch from his *Wayne's World* days.

Fonda (*Singles*, *Single White Female*) continues her string of lackluster performances. Her career is proof that the Fonda name remains highly regarded by Hollywood and could be the only reason she continues to get roles. She has no style and fails in her portrayal of a woman of delicate presence and etiquette.

Parker may have envisioned an innovative film project with great potential, but he produced a mixture of unrelated events and the wrong time period in this mediocre film.

SPOTLIGHT

Making a permanent impression Women draw on themselves with a permanent marker

BY ERIN McLAUGHLIN
FEATURES EDITOR

The idea that only drunken sailors on shore leave get tattoos is being fought every day by young women who are putting a permanent mark on themselves.

Tattoo artist Dale Cole of Capitol Tattoo in Silver Spring, Md., says more than 60 percent of his business is from young women college age to their early '30s. Cole says starting four years ago he saw an increase in the number of women who were coming in for tattoos.

He says some of the increase is because of the number of people on MTV who have tattoos and a wave of alter-

nativism but most get it done because "they are really interested in it."

GW sophomore Hallie Taber has only had her tattoo for a few weeks. Taber decided to get one because she thought "it would be kind of a cool thing to do."

Taber, 18, had doubts, but she says she felt she needed to do it because she had something to prove to herself. Taber's tattoo is of a hummingbird and a flower. It is two inches long.

Dawn Butorac, 19, also a GW sophomore, says she has always wanted a tattoo and got one earlier this year. The idea came from her older brother who has had one for several years.

Butorac's tattoo, about two inches in diameter, is from a design a friend made. Butorac says the tattoo is not really anything in particular but appears to be a sundial with a peace sign in the center.

Butorac, who plans on a career in politics, says she has already had people pass judgment on her tattoo. Butorac's aunt called it "just gross," and says, "You'll never get into the White House with that."

Although her grandfather seemed to approve, Butorac says

her grandmother disapprovingly slaps the tattoo, which is on her ankle, every time she sees it.

Taber says her parents have accepted, but it took them some time to get used to it.

"She likes it now," Taber says of her mother.

Although people have "become more open-minded," Cole says tat-

Taber's tattoo was not an original design, but says she knew what she wanted before entering the tattoo parlor.

The idea of a hummingbird tattoo came while at home with her sister.

"My sister was putting up hummingbird wallpaper and I've always loved hummingbirds," Taber says.

When anyone comes in to get a tattoo Cole discusses with him or her the pluses and minuses of the

tattoo's location on the body.

Because of different clothing styles and professions, Cole says tattoo placement is important. Most women get the tattoos on their shoulder blades, buttocks and calves, Cole says.

Butorac says that because the tattoo is on her ankle "it is visible, but not visible all the time."

Although Butorac was unsure of how painful getting the tattoo would be, she says it actually felt

like she was cutting herself while shaving. Taber said it

wasn't very painful and what she felt was "kind of a headrush."

Cole says going into a tattoo parlor is not as intimidating as it used to be and getting a tattoo is "a form of self-expression."

Cole himself has no tattoos. He says he is not yet ready.

For Kayce Fugita getting tattooed is nothing new. The 37-year-old GW pre-med student has many



photo by Claire Duggan

Pre-med student Kayce Fugita, 37, rolls up her sleeves exposing the tattoos imprinted on her arms and torso.

tattoos all over her upper body and arms.

Fugita says having the entire upper body done is called being "wallpapered" while the ones on her arms are "sleeve work."

Fugita began getting tattoos when she was a 17-year-old biker. She describes getting a tattoo as "taking a certain part of your life and making it a memory."

The tattoos Fugita has are of all the basic tattoo colors: red, green, blue, black and yellow. Originally Fugita's tattoos were all different, but they have been connected and filled in over time. Fugita's tattoo on her back is of a

fairy in the garden of Eden. The fairy's wings stretch from shoulder to shoulder.

Fugita, who wears long sleeve shirts most of the time, says "people should get them where they can conceal them."

"I think women look better tattooed than men," says Fugita, explaining that tattoos don't classify women the same way they do with men. Fugita also says tattoos on women have "more artistic value" than they do on men.

Fugita says she doesn't regret her tattoos. "I didn't get them for anyone else, I got them for me."

"It's not so much the little roses anymore ... People are getting something to represent themselves."

-Dale Cole,
Capitol Tattoo

Most women who come in for tattoos get small, individual pieces, Cole says.

"It's not so much the little roses anymore ... People are getting something to represent themselves," he says.

SPOTLIGHT ON ...

... "The Real World's" Pedro

Famous for being the housemate with AIDS on MTV's "The Real World III," Pedro Zamora is now hospitalized in Miami, Fla., because of his ailing condition. President Clinton recently commended Zamora's public fight against the disease that kills many young Americans.

"Pedro is a role model for all of us," Clinton says on a video message played at an AIDS benefit. "He's shown the courage and strength to move beyond himself, reaching out to others while struggling with his own illness."

The Real World is a successful series that portrays seven MTV generation types who live together in a house and have their lives documented and edited into a half-hour show aired weekly.

"Now no one in America can say they've never known someone who's living with AIDS. The challenge to each of us is to do something about it and to continue Pedro's fight," Clinton says.

Clinton is providing Cuban-born Zamora's family with visas to the United States.

Zamora has played a large role on the MTV show, with viewers witnessing his struggle not only with AIDS but also with his family, society and his housemates. Zamora, 22, contracted the disease when he was 17.

- Erin McLaughlin

CAMPUS HILITES

Cool Things to Tell
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Monday, October 31 – Sunday, November 6

Monday, October 31

JP Morgan Info Session 7 - 8:30pm in the Acad. Center T509. Sponsored by the Career Center. Info: 994-6495

Bible Study 8pm in the Campus Ministry Office. Sponsored by the BSU. Info: 676-6434

Oxfam Hunger Awareness Week Planning Committee 3:30 - 4pm in the Campus Ministries Office. Info: 51-6434

Tuesday, November 1

Honor Code Public Hearings 4:15pm in Lerner 201. Sponsored by the SA. Info: 994-7100

World Teach Info Session 7 - 8pm in the Acad. Center T509. Sponsored by the Career Center. Info: 994-6495

NSCS Members! General meeting in Monroe 204 at 8pm. Please come and share ideas and food. Info: Sarah K 994-6555

"The Future of the Former Soviet Republics" Lecture by Dean Millar at 7:30pm in Fungler 221. Sponsored by PB. Info: 994-7313

Sneak preview of War 9pm in Lisner. Sponsored by PB. Info: 994-7313

Wednesday, November 2

Wild Wednesdays Sponsored by Ecumenical Christian Ministry. 7:30 - 9pm every Wednesday in the College Room of the Western Church (24th & G). Free weekly fellowship. Info: 51-6434

Program Board General Mtg 8:30pm in MC 429.

Universally Speaking Toastmasters Club 6:30pm in MC 403. Info: (703) 525-7379

Progressive Student Union General Meeting MC 402-4 at 8pm. All welcome. Info: 994-7284

Crooklyn Film sponsored by the Program Board. 10pm in George's. Info: 994-7313

Coming Out Group 4 - 5:30pm in the Counseling Center. Info: Brian 994-6550

Take Successful Notes 4:10pm in the Counseling Center (next to Lisner Aud). Info: 994-6550

Cooperative Education Orientation Sponsored by the Career Center. 4 - 5pm in Acad. Center T509. Info: 994-6495

Effective Interviewing Sponsored by the Career Center. 5 - 6:30pm in Acad. Center T509. Info: 994-6495

AMS Info Session 7 - 8:30pm in the Acad. Center T509. Sponsored by the Career Center. Info: 994-6495

The Nicole Paul Memorial Violence Against Women Workshop 12 - 2pm in the MC Ballroom (3rd floor).

Education Debate 8pm, Fungler 108. Participating: the American Collegiate Conservatives, CDs, CRs & the Objectivist club. Info: 994-9510

Study Abroad General Info Meeting 4:30pm in Stuart 108. Info: 994-1649

What Does a Theologian Do? 4pm in MC 413. Speaker Langdon Gilkey. Sponsored by the Religion Dept. Info: 994-6325

Thursday, November 3

Emerging Leader Program 4 - 6pm in the Colonial Commons. Info: 994-6555

Art Group for Freshmen Only 5 - 6:45pm in the Thurston Hall Piano Lounge. Sponsored by ORL and the Counseling Center. Info: 994-6550

Job Search Strategies Sponsored by the Career Center. 2:30 - 4pm in Acad. Center T509. Info: 994-6495

Fall Bash 9pm - 2am in the MC Ballroom (3rd floor). Sponsored by the Asian Student Alliance. \$7 without flyer, \$5 with flyer (alcohol served, age ID required). Info: Gee Lee 676-2579

Spanish Club Movie Night 7pm in MC 411.

Friday, November 4

Noonday Informal lunchtime with student led devotions. Sponsored by the Baptist Student Union. 12N in the Campus Ministry office every Friday. Info: Tammy 676-6434

Coffeehouse '96! Sponsored by the Class Committee of '96. 9pm in the Riverside Cafe. Cherry Blossom Quartet & open mike. Info: 676-3075

Rocky Horror Picture Show 9pm & 12m in the MC Ballroom (3rd floor). Sponsored by PB and Rocky Horror Picture Show Club. \$2 students w/ ID, \$3 general, \$1 prop bag. Info: 994-7313

Saturday, November 5

No submissions for this date

Sunday, November 6

Crooklyn Film sponsored by the Program Board. 10pm in George's. Info: 994-7313

Students for Environmental Action 7 pm in MC 419

Announcements

Night of the Iguana by Tennessee Williams. Nov. 3 - 5 at 8pm in the Marvin Betts Theatre. Sponsored by the Theatre & Dance Dept. \$8 general, \$5 student & senior citizens. Info: 994-6178

"East Meets West: Prints by Nene Gioulamirian" 7am - 12m in the Colonnade Gallery (MC 3rd floor) from Nov. 3 to Dec. 2. Info: 994-8401

"A Friend of the People: Friendship House Celebrates 90 Years of Social Progress" Exhibit runs from Oct. 31 to Nov. 23 in Gelman 207, Special Collections Dept. Info: 994-6455

"Annual Student Show" at the Dimock Gallery. Exhibit opens November 3 and runs until November 30. The Gallery is open 10am - 5pm Tuesday through Friday, 12n - 5pm Saturday, closed Sunday & Monday; located in the lower Lisner Auditorium. Info: 994-1525

Need Money???

If your student organization or campus department needs funding for programming, think about applying to the Diversity Program Clearinghouse. DPC offers modest grants for events dealing with diversity. For more information, contact Shannelle Armstrong in Campus Activities, 994-6555.

Notice of Non-Sponsorship

The Elliott School of International Affairs was not a co-sponsor of the GWU Turkish Student Association's speaker program at the Marvin Center on Friday, Oct. 28. While the school is always pleased to assist campus groups in organizing open forums on international issues, groups seeking the formal sponsorship of the Elliott School must secure the endorsement of the Dean's Office.

Attention

The 1994-95 Student Organization directory is now available in Campus Activities, MC 427. For more info, call 994-6555.

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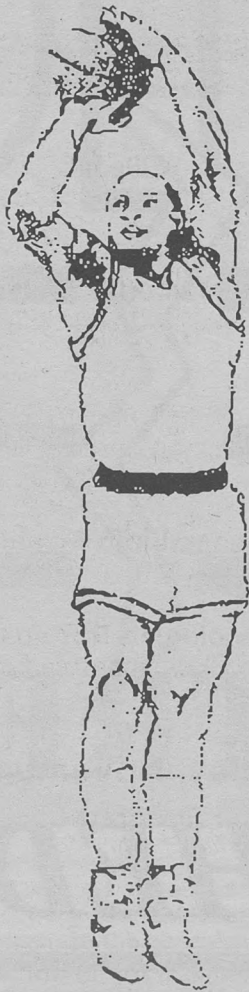
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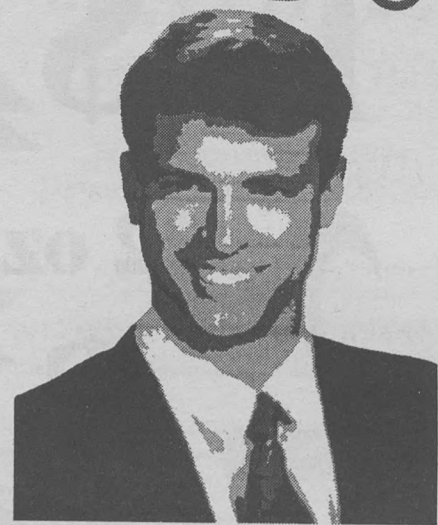
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This graduate level seminar (also open to a limited number of seniors) centers on a search for answers to two basic questions: What do the American people know about the rest of the world? And how do they know what they know about the rest of the world.

The course will be limited to 20 people, at the instructor's discretion. A meeting for interested students is scheduled for 4:00 PM on Wednesday, November 9 in Room 404, Marvin Center. It will not be possible to pre-register over the phone; registration will be through the Public Policy office for those students selected at the November 9 meeting. Call 994-5138 for more information.

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Halloween isn't just for kids anymore

BY JUSTIN BERGMAN
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

For kids, the best holiday of the entire year is probably Halloween. The little ghouls, princesses, pirates and Power Rangers take so much joy in parading around the neighborhood with their smiling jack-o-lantern buckets begging the neighbors for candy.

After all, Halloween gives children an excuse to stuff themselves full of sugar and then go crazy in a fit of hyperactivity.

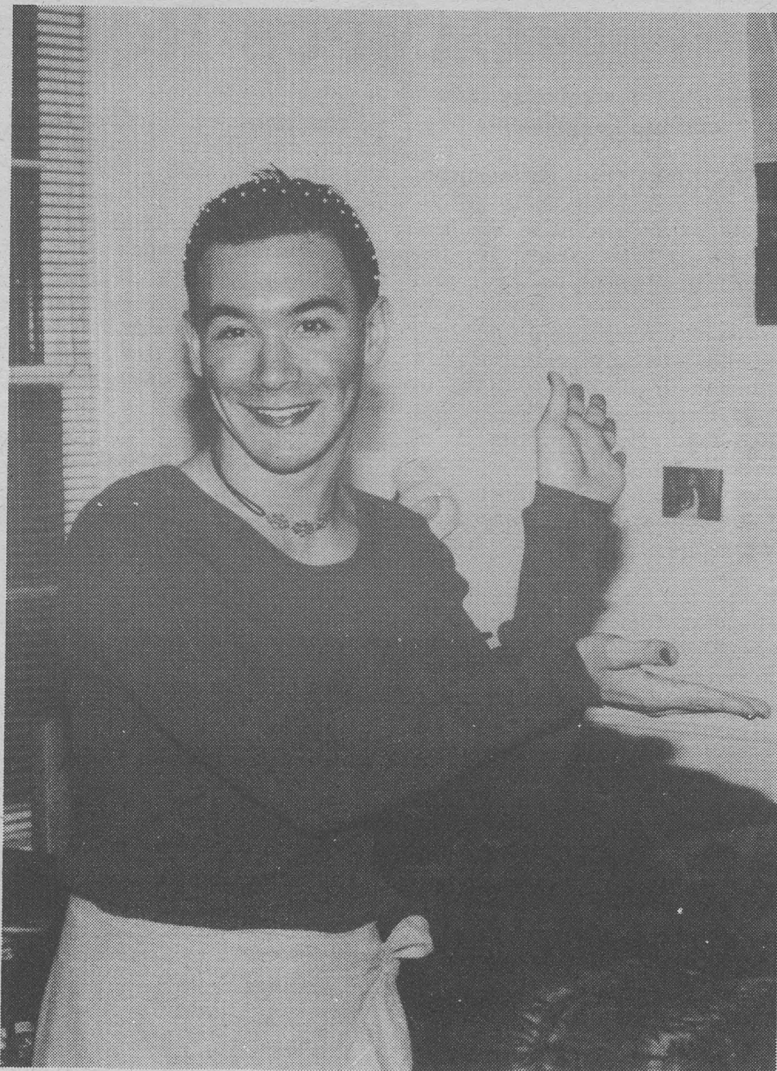
Although GW students may have outgrown their old Halloween costumes and their sweet, innocent "trick-or-treat" voices, many still enjoy the holiday as much as they ever did.

Sophomore Cara Surace said Halloween is "definitely one of my favorite holidays" and that her and her friends are still planning to go trick-or-treating Monday afternoon.

"We all bought our costumes last weekend at Rite-Aid and wore them last night to a party. I don't think I'll ever grow out of this holiday. I love it too much," she said.

In fact, many of the die-hard, middle- or college-aged Halloween fanatics were able to find an array of macabre activities this past weekend.

Almost every bar in the District of Columbia hosted a Halloween party, and many gave away cash prizes for the most exotic or gruesome costume. On any given night



photos by Claire Duggan

GW students got into the Halloween spirit early. Freshman Nate Tamarin (above) decided to get in touch with his softer, more feminine side, while freshmen Loren Drake (r.) and Eric Goldberg broke out the bow ties and fur hats to commemorate the occasion.

this weekend, one could easily find Satan, the Grim Reaper, 15 French maids, Tonya Harding, Nancy Kerrigan or O.J. Simpson (reportedly this year's most popular mask) waltzing down the street to a party or bar.

Originally a Celtic celebration of the day of Saman, when the Lord of Death called together the souls

of the wicked who had died during the year, Halloween has been greatly transformed since the Middle Ages. According to the Encyclopedia Americana, people in Europe actually believed that elves, fairies and witches flew overhead on Halloween night and many built large bonfires to ward off evil spirits.



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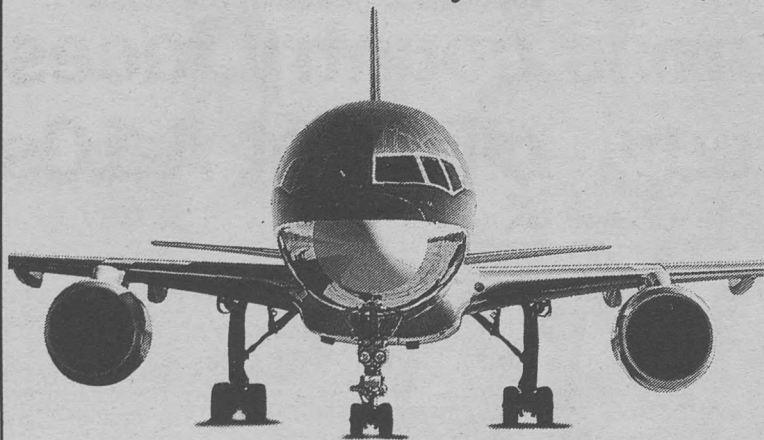
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Baccalaureate colleges show increased enrollments

WASHINGTON - Baccalaureate colleges increased their enrollments by 25 percent in the past decade, a new study by the American Council on Education said.

Average enrollments at baccalaureate colleges rose from 914 students in 1980-81 to 1,145 in 1990-91, the council report, "A Contemporary Profile of Baccalaureate Colleges" stated. This was despite a significant drop in the number of high school graduates.

"It is important to note that during the decade of the 1980s, when the number of annual high school graduates declined from 3.1 million to 2.4 million (a decrease of 23 percent), the average size of baccalaureate colleges grew by 25 per-

cent," the report said.

The increased enrollment was largely because of the successful recruitment of older students, the report said. Almost one in four of students at baccalaureate colleges are 30-years-old or older.

The average of 1,145 students enrolled at baccalaureate colleges is far less than at doctorate-granting universities (14,940), comprehensive colleges (4,510) or two-year colleges (2,530).

Stanford pays record fine

PALO ALTO, Calif. - Officials at Stanford University have agreed to pay nearly \$1 million in penalties for numerous hazardous waste violations that date back to 1988.

The decision to pay the fine keeps Stanford out of court, where the university would have to respond to charges that include

toxic spills, incorrect labeling and improper storage.

Stanford's penalty, levied by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control, is the largest amount ever paid by a California educational institution for environmental infractions.

"The mishandling or hazardous wastes are just as dangerous in an academic institution as in a factory," said Allan Hirsch, spokesman for the Department of Toxic Substances Control. "The problems at Stanford were as widespread and as serious as any problems we have seen anywhere in the entire state."

Stanford officials had been negotiating with the state for the past year to determine the severity of the financial penalty. By accepting the state's terms, Stanford has agreed to pay \$460,000 to the state of California in penalties, \$235,000 in reimbursement costs and more than \$300,000 to various environmental groups. Stanford officials said the money will come out of the school's unrestricted funds.

UNM battles with racial slurs

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - The recent emergence of racist material at the University of New Mexico has once again raised university officials' concerns about the safety of some of the school's students.

For the third time this year, dozens of racially motivated bumper stickers have been spotted throughout the Albuquerque campus.

More than 100 of the stickers, which read "Earth's Most Endangered Species: The White Race," were plastered to walls and fixtures by a group that calls itself "National Alliance." The involvement of the same group in past racial controversies on campus has led many university officials to believe that the National Alliance is a white supremacist organization.

The incident is still under investigation.

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Steven Masten drives upfield earlier this season. The Colonials dropped a heartbreaking game to West Virginia and narrowly missed qualifying for the post-season.

Colonials end season in agony, miss clutch penalty shot to tie

BY SHAINA RHEAM
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

The GW men's soccer team suffered an agonizing 1-0 defeat at the hands of West Virginia Sunday that eliminated it from post-season play in the Atlantic 10 tournament.

If the Colonials beat or tied the Mountaineers, they would have qualified for the tournament. Instead the Mountaineers, who avenged last year's 3-1 loss to the Colonials, captured a birth in the post-season. The Colonials ended their regular season with a 4-12-1 record overall (3-4 in the A-10).

GW and WVU came into the game tied for fourth place in the A-10 standings, and both teams battled it out in the first half to a scoreless stalemate. In the second half, the game continued much as it had in the first until the Mountaineers finally capitalized.

Andy Leardini scored the lone goal of the match in the 74th minute when he dove to head in a pass from Todd Gispert.

Reminiscent of this year's World Cup soccer final, the Colonials' best chance to equalize came in the dying moments of the game when the Colonials were awarded a penalty kick. The whole season came down

to this penalty kick chance and it was the Mountaineers who came up big.

Senior Stefan Triandafilou took the penalty kick in the 86th minute to try for his second goal of the season, but Mountaineer goalkeeper Dani Braga leaned to his left and met the challenge.

The game was tight, as evidenced by the shot attempts and goal saves. The shots on goal were low, with six for the Colonials and seven for the Mountaineers. Meanwhile, GW goalkeeper Ward McIntyre made one save to Braga's two. Stephen Masten and Marcelo Valencia each had two shot attempts while Matt Nesbitt and Triandafilou had one apiece.

Six Colonials finished their college soccer careers with this game: Moises Reyes, Van Martin, Joel Hough, Valencia, Triandafilou and McIntyre.

Valencia garnered the most points of the season (22) by scoring six goals and assisting 10 times. Reyes had 17 points, with the second most goals of the season (7), as well as three assists. Triandafilou attained five points after netting one goal and assisting three times.

Hough had nine shot attempts for the season and Martin had three while providing excellent defense for the Colonials in the back line.

Swimmers trounce victims in home pool

BY ADAM WILLIS
HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

The GW swimming program started its season with a high stroke this weekend. After spending Friday making its mark at the Washington Metro Relays competition, both the men's and women's teams used Saturday to beat up on Duquesne.

As hosts for the eight-team Washington Metro Relays, GW's men's and women's teams were anything but gracious to their neighborhood guests. The Colonial Women either won or placed second in every race, finishing first in the 3x100 fly, 4x200 free, 500 free, 400 medley and 3x500 free relays. However, the University of Maryland posted similar placings, winning all of the events the Colonial Women did not. The Terps nipped GW, despite an impressive performance, by a final score of



Chris Scuderi

205-202. Catholic University finished a distant third.

The men's team, however, would not be denied the win. The Colonials collected wins in the 200 medley, 3x100 backstroke, 4x200 free and 4x100 individual medley relays and finished with 198 points. They were 24 points better

than second-place American University, which finished well behind the Colonials despite posting four wins of its own. Maryland finished third.

Saturday saw the men's and women's teams swimming at home again, this time in a dual meet against Duquesne. Disappointed on Friday, the Colonial Women were ready to unload on the Lady Dukes. Tadeja Zupancic, Kristen Robertson, Bambi Bowman and Connie Shelton scored individual victories, en route to a 116-87 trouncing of Duquesne.

The men's team completed the sweep of the Dukes with a 124.5 to 78.5 pummeling. The Colonials pushed to victory with the help of numerous first-place finishes. Chris Scuderi and Chad Senior were the big hits of the meet. Scuderi scored wins in both the 50 and 100 free, while Senior took the 200 free and 100 backstroke.

Cross country faces tough climb at A-10s

BY ERICH W. ZIMMERMANN
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

After a great amount of expectation for Saturday's Atlantic 10 cross country championship meets, it was in many ways a disappointing day for both the men's and women's teams.

The men were looking for a top-two finish and were able to place only fifth, a drop from their fourth-place finish a year ago. The women had hoped to improve on last year's sixth-place finish but were unable to and finished the day in seventh place.

"We were pretty disappointed about our team finish. The competition was tough, though. Although we were hoping to do a lot better, we gave it our best effort," Lauren Edwards said.

A number of factors contributed to the lack of success. The women are young and inexperienced, and the men lack depth. What made things even more difficult was the hilly course at West Virginia, host of this year's meet.

"We started on a hill, finished on a hill and ran a lot of hills in between," Courtney Bellows said.

The day was not entirely lost, however, as a number of individuals had successful performances. Eric Woronick and Dave Sawyer were both highly competitive. Woronick placed third overall and Sawyer fifth.

"They both ran great races. Eric was battling for second place the whole race, and Dave had a very strong finish," head coach Greg Coan said. "They ran exactly how they were supposed to and have a good shot at placing in the top 20 in the region (at Franklin Park in Boston). It was certainly a great way to end their A-10 careers."

The fact that the men have only five runners competing at a strong level hurt them a great deal.

"We didn't do as well as we would have liked. We only have five runners running really well. If one is having a bad day, that kills us," Coan said.

On this day, for example, Alex Murray did not run as strong as he would have liked, and there was no sixth man to pick up his slack. Murray, who usually finishes third for the team, ended up fourth. The third slot was filled by John Hammond, and Jason Webber rounded out the scoring by finishing fifth for the men.

For the Colonial Women, Tina Kearchner finished her A-10 career by leading the team, finishing 26th overall.

"Tina ran a great race. She certainly went out in style," Coan said. Of the four remaining scoring positions, three went to freshmen, highlighting the fact that this team is extremely young. Jennifer Geiger and Tarra Short finished second and third. Sarah Castleberry, the other upperclassmen to score, was fourth. Edwards finished fifth.

Coan still felt this was a successful day. "All the women ran really well. They were working on picking off people left and right," he said. "Because they are so young, they were unable to get ahead of the group we had to beat to place fifth or sixth. All of the freshmen ran a great race for their first A-10s."

Coan also pointed out that the women did not go out hard enough to start the race, jeopardizing their finishing positions at the end.

(See COLONIALS, p. 18)



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Eric Woronick strides over uneven terrain. The cross country teams faced similar landscape at the hilly A-10 Championship course.

WOMEN'S SOCCER (11-7)

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Close, but no cigar; where's the defense here anyway?

Granted, we have some successful teams competing this fall, but nonetheless, we must gather to discuss the issue of closure. In light of recent events at RFK Auxiliary Field, some fall sports teams' defenses have looked more like revolving doors than fine-tuned units.

Seriously now, with women's soccer at 11-7, you wonder why I would be bringing this up. Well, it's simple, really. I am a little bit concerned that our teams have forgotten how to finish games. But don't take my word for it, look at the evidence.

Dateline RFK, Wednesday, Oct. 26 - The Colonial men's soccer team is playing well for a team with more losses than a Haitian military unit. Up 3-1 over American, the Colonials are just biding their time, playing defense and waiting for the game to end.

This is what soccer teams do when they have two-goal leads. (Of course, this is also why soccer can be so boring and why there's no professional soccer league in the United States) You can usually assume a two-goal lead is safe in soccer, but not here.

Before you get too discouraged, it gets worse. Even though the Eagles came back to tie the game and send it to overtime, the Colonials regained the lead 4-3. Now, if it's unlikely that you'd blow a two-goal lead in regulation, it's impossible to blow an overtime lead, right? WRONG. The Colonials gave up not one, but two more goals and lost 5-4.

Don't assume these horrors only happen to teams with losing records. The women's soccer team is ranked in the top 20. That should say something about its ability to win games down the stretch. One look at the evidence and you'd beg to differ, I'm sure.

Dateline RFK, Wednesday, Oct. 26 - The Colonial Women are in the midst of a huge regional battle with George Mason. The two ranked teams were locked in a 1-1 tie through regulation and preparing for the looming overtime. Along comes overtime and what had been a tight matchup becomes a 3-1 rout. Two more in OT, what's going on?

I'm not sure what's behind this horrific trend. Now that I've looked at the evidence (I knew that would be a good idea), I think I've found an answer. Perhaps it's a conspiracy by the athletic department to break our hearts (see basketball, GW vs. Michigan - 1993, or GW vs. USC - 1994). Nah, more likely, it's just something in the water at RFK (see the Redskins - 1990's).

-Jared Sher

GW lambasts Eagles 8-0

Team explodes in 2nd

BY SCOTT STONE
HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

After a devastating loss to regional rival George Mason, the GW women's soccer team rebounded with a demonstrative performance against The American University, annihilating the Eagles 8-0.

Although GW clearly dominated the entire game, the first half was full of missed opportunities. American's lackluster defense let the Colonial Women take shot after shot, yet the score after one half was 0-0.

In the second period, the Colonial Women's offense erupted with a flurry of goals, giving them their 8-0 victory.

Once again, the win was not attributed to any individual person, but to the whole team.

"The win was a team effort, and we have to keep on making them team efforts," head coach Shannon Higgins-Cirovski said. "We don't need outstanding play from any individual, but from the whole team."

The first two goals of the game came early in the second half by



Kristin Davidson (#10) beats a UMass defender on her run toward the goal Oct. 15. Davidson opened the floodgates with GW's first goal against American Sunday.

junior forward Kristin Davidson. At 54:08, junior Amy Sellers placed a perfect setup shot to the right corner of the goal for the awaiting foot of Davidson.

In the 59th minute, Davidson scored unassisted, as she diverted the Eagles' defensive attempts to steal the ball, setting herself up for a six-yard shot. With the score 2-0, Davidson broke loose again and fired a cannon shot on the Eagle goalkeeper to bring the Colonial Women's lead to 3-0.

At 73:51, forward Tanya Vogel connected a cross pass to her younger sister Jennifer, setting her up for a three-yard chip shot.

Five minutes later, it was Jennifer's turn for an assist, as she set up sophomore Sara Blanchard. Blanchard sliced a shot through the Eagles' defense to give GW a 5-0 lead.

Jennifer struck again in the 79th minute, this time taking it in herself for a 10-yard blast from the left side line.

At 80:29, Tanya Vogel set herself up for a dynamic 15-yard shot that floated beautifully into the upper corner of the goal to extend GW's lead to 7-0.

The final goal of the game came from freshman Natalie Froman in the 89th minute. Her 10-yard chip

shot gave the Colonial Women an 8-0 lead that proved to be the margin of victory.

GW's dominating defense gave the Eagles only two shots on goal. On the other hand, the Colonial Women lofted 32 shots.

GW used the game as a tune-up for next week's Atlantic 10 tournament. The Colonial Women's first game is against Temple, a team the Colonial Women have already beat this season.

"We have to take Temple very seriously, because that is the only game we are looking at right now," Higgins-Cirovski said.

GW smashes Bonnies, Dukes in easy weekend

BY JARED SHER
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

The last time the Colonial Women played St. Bonaventure, it was the precursor to a woeful weekend which saw GW lose Liu Li and a match to Massachusetts. This time, the game was part of a forceful message to the rest of the Atlantic 10.

The Colonial Women soared to 9-1 in the conference with its pair of victories over the Bonnies and Duquesne.

"It was really easy and we played well," Svetlana Vtyurina said. "That was what we expected. We were trying to look good in the conference. It's good that we had an easy weekend, but we still had to play hard."

GW vs. Duquesne

The Colonial Women crushed the Lady Dukes Saturday in straight sets in the team's second visit to Pittsburgh in as many weeks (15-8, 15-4, 15-11).

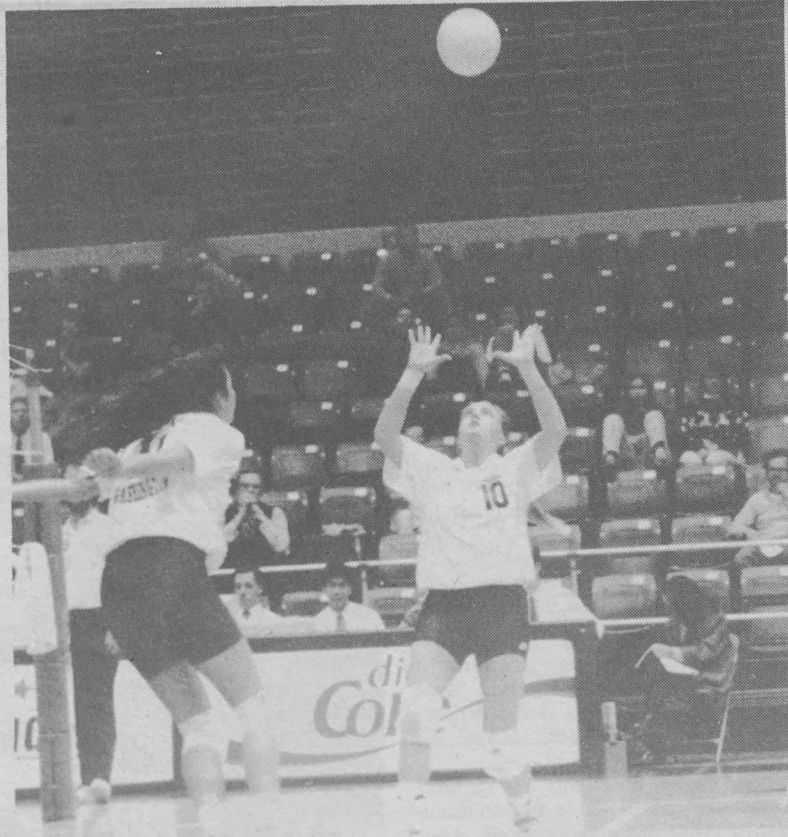
Vtyurina and Liu Li led the well-rounded effort. Each outside hitter landed 13 kills and had just one attack error. Vtyurina hit .571 and Liu followed with a .462 hitting percentage. Their lead provided the basis for GW to hit .330 as a team.

Stefanie Francis shored up the team's defense with 14 digs and three blocks. Francis also added 10 kills and hit .280. Liz Martin managed seven digs, as did Jill Lammert.

GW vs. St. Bonaventure

The Colonial Women ripped through the Bonnie defense Friday to kick off the weekend right (15-6, 15-11, 15-1).

(See VOLLEYBALL p. 19)



Kate Haubenreich prepares for an assist against Maryland Oct. 26. The sophomore setter recorded her 1,000th assist of the season this weekend.

Colonials battle, but fall short on hilly course at WVU

(from p. 17)

With only one meet left, at Franklin Park in Boston Nov. 12, the teams must look for positives to take with them from this meet.

"I am a little disappointed. However, one positive is that we can see we have to work this much harder. We have a long way to go," Coan said.

Next week should prove to be an

exciting meet for the runners. Woronick and Sawyer should both fare well and hope to run excellent races. Kearchner will also close out her cross country career and hopes to do so with a strong performance in Boston.

Then, the time will come for the young runners to take over and lead these teams. The women, with a strong recruiting class, have an

excellent core of young runners who have now gained valuable experience running in high pressure meets. Edwards says she feels this is going to pay great dividends.

"We really had no clue what to expect. This has been very beneficial, and will certainly help in the upcoming seasons," she said.

The men, who will be hurt by the number of people graduating,

must work hard to make up for the eight seniors they will lose at the end of the season.

"We have a lot of recruiting to do," Coan said. "The younger runners will take over as the leaders. We have to teach them to train correctly over the spring and summer, and they will come back next year ready to lead the team."

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Davis takes time off, will miss GW game

BY JARED SHER
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

The withdrawal of a University of North Carolina Charlotte basketball player on Friday could influence the outcome of a Colonials matchup against the team early next year.

Jeff Mullins, 49er head coach, announced that Andre Davis was withdrawing from classes for personal reasons Oct. 27. The junior was a two-year starter for UNC Charlotte and a former winner of the Metro Conference Freshman of the Year award.

"Andre visited with me last week and felt like he needed a break from school," Mullins said in a statement released by the school. "He told me, 'I don't want to be anywhere else, I love UNC Charlotte. I just need some time off

from school.' He was sincere."

Davis averaged 11 points per game last season and helped the 49ers to a 16-13 record and an NIT appearance. He also posted 59 assists and a team high 38 three-point field goals during his sophomore season.

Davis' departure could mean the Colonials are more likely to beat the 49ers when they battle Jan. 7, since one of Charlotte's star players will not be available. However, games like this are generally on teams' schedules both to provide them with difficult matchups and to help prepare them for non-conference, post-season games.

A team's conference season helps it earn a bid to the NCAA tournament, and the rest of its games prepare the team for play once it gets there.

In that case, the GW men's basketball team could suffer more than it gains in light of Davis' decision to withdraw from UNC Charlotte.

Last season, for example, GW edged UNC Charlotte in a crucial game on the way to a second straight NCAA tournament appearance. The Colonials beat the 49ers 51-46 at the Smith Center Feb. 24, and the inter-conference victory helped GW secure an at-large bid to the tournament.

Since the A-10 is competitive, GW is more likely to get to the tournament with an at-large bid. To be considered for such an opportunity, the Colonials must play well against teams outside of the conference. GW relied on key victories last season against Xavier University and the 49ers to get back to the tournament despite its

12 losses.

Davis can still return to the team next season as long as he comes back to school next semester. Even if he returns in January, however, he would not be eligible to play the second half of this season. NCAA regulations require student athletes to be enrolled in at least 12 hours of classes during the semester before they wish to play.

"He is completely eligible in every way, shape and form," UNC Charlotte Assistant Athletic Director Mark Colone said in a telephone interview Friday. "He just needs some time off. He needs some time to himself."

Mullins agreed. "He just needs some time off to recharge his batteries so to speak. We'll miss him," he said.

GW head coach Mike Jarvis could not be reached for comment.

Commentary

NBA stacks
Suns side up

Could it be? Yes fans, there may soon be a professional team sport with games that don't just take place on weekends. The NBA, despite its own labor dispute, will begin its season on time next Friday.

Thinking along those lines, I'm going to cross my fingers that the players and owners don't screw this sport up too, and offer you my pre-season prognostications for the upcoming campaign.

ATLANTIC DIVISION

Two great teams followed by a bunch of mediocre ones. The Magic, led by "Penny" Hardaway and Shaq-Fu, made a great acquisition in Horace Grant. Despite the improvements, the Magic will still come up short compared to Patrick Ewing's Knicks.

The Nets (thanks to D.C. and Kenny Anderson, but NO thanks to the unprepared Yinka Dare), Heat and the Celtics all have legitimate shots at the playoffs. The Sixers will be improved, but are too young, and the Bullets ... well ... they're the Bullets.

CENTRAL DIVISION

Everyone is talking up the Pacers' shot at an NBA title, and with crafty point guard Mark Jackson reunited with coach Larry Brown, Indiana should have a great year. The Bulls, however, are still the team to beat in my mind. Ron Harper will do as good a job as anyone at impersonating No. 23 at off-guard. And in Scottie Pippen and Phil Jackson, the Bulls have probably the game's best player and coach.

The Hornets will be hampered by the continuous injury problems of Larry Johnson. The Hawks and Cavs are two old, boring teams on a downslide. The Pistons and Bucks are a couple of seasons away.

MIDWEST DIVISION

The Rockets took advantage of a super-human post-season by Hakeem Olajuwon to earn their city's first-ever pro title, but don't expect a repeat. The young and exciting Nuggets will prevent Houston from even repeating in its division.

David Robinson will continue to impress for the Spurs, but Dennis Rodman's abnormality will be too much of a distraction for San Antonio. Utah is headed in the opposite direction of the Mavs and T-Wolves - getting older and worse while the other two are young and improving.

PACIFIC DIVISION

The Suns should dominate, both in the division and in the league, giving Sir Charles Barkley his first title. Danny Manning makes a strong team even better. They have no center, but neither do the Sonics or Warriors - their chief competition. Besides, the latter two each have player-management squabbles that will hurt their on-court performance.

The Blazers, Lakers, and Kings are all a couple of players short of making a dent in the league. The Clippers? Well, they're even worse than the Bullets.

-Ben Osborne

Volleyball rocks A-10 foes,
UMass rematch on horizon

(from p. 18)

The ease with which GW won allowed the team to give playing time to some reserves. Brenda Paz Soldán logged five kills and hit .267 in her most extensive action since returning from a recurring back injury which nearly sidelined her for the season. Paz Soldán also picked up four digs, and her slicing serves earned GW two aces.

Nikki Knapton and Heather McNab also played more than they had in some time. McNab logged four digs as she continues her comeback from injury as well. The sophomore blocker had been riddled with a stress fracture in her ankle for a couple of months.

The Colonial Women also received solid contributions from its core of leaders. Liu led the

offense with 13 kills, and Vtyurina had an errorless performance to hit .889 with eight more kills.

Martin keyed the defense with seven digs and Francis added five, but the real boost came from Kate Haubenreich.

The sophomore setter recorded her 1,000th assist for the season in the match. That marks the second straight season she has reached the milestone which is often used as the measuring stick for setting success. Haubenreich had 30 assists in the match and also pulled out six digs of her own.

The impressive wins were part of GW's preparation for this weekend's travel to take on the Minutewomen in a rematch of its Oct. 14 loss at the Smith Center. The Colonial Women will also bat-

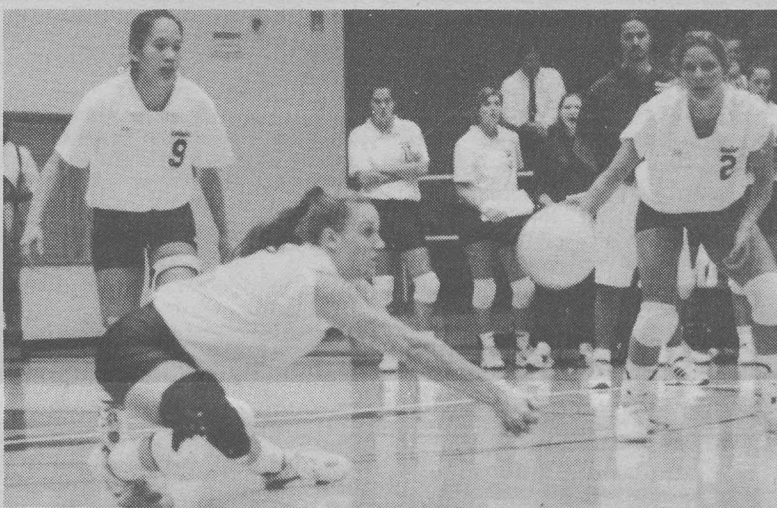


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Jill Lammert stretches for the dig as Khuong Ta (#9) and Liz Martin (#2) look on earlier this season.

tle URI in their biggest weekend of A-10 volleyball this season. Svetlana Vtyurina guaranteed GW would beat UMass Saturday.

"We are really excited to play

against UMass," Vtyurina said. "We are going to crush them this time. They don't have a prayer. We are just going to crush them."

Crew cruises to sunny showing in Schuylkill

BY KYNAN KELLY
SPORTS EDITOR

After a mediocre outing in Boston last weekend, the GW men's and women's teams shone on a beautiful Saturday in Philadelphia at the Head of the Schuylkill.

The women's championship eight turned in the most stellar performance, rowing to a second-place finish ahead of 21 other teams. The Riverside Boat Club from Boston won the race, which head coach Paul Wilkins referred to as "the best event with the top crews from colleges and clubs."

Miriam Wolfe played a major part from her customary coxswain seat. Wolfe "did a good job," Wilkins said.

"In those long races (2.8 miles), the steering and navigation play a great role. It's a long sort of time-trial event," he said.

The women's lightweight eight boat lost pounds and gained a third-place showing in a field of eight or nine crews. The New York Athletic Club won the race, while Villanova finished second.

"In the women's lightweight eight, there were a number of people who did a good job making weight," Wilkins said. "Making weight was the first task of the weekend."

The women's club eight tied for 14th with Rutgers and the Carnegie Lake Rowing Club. Syracuse won the 25-team race.

The strong showing gives GW bragging rights over some familiar faces, as well as some revenge for last week.

"We beat crews that are our traditional rivals, such as UPenn, Rutgers, Georgetown, Navy, UMass, Northeastern and Syracuse," Wilkins said. "Many of

(those teams were) crews that we lost to the week before at Boston."

In addition, Wilkins said the championship eight's placing was the highest finish the women have attained on the Schuylkill in his 14 years of coaching at GW. Although the club teams won the majority of the events Saturday, Wilkins took pride in the fact that the GW championship eight was the fastest college crew.

For the second consecutive week, assistant coach John Devlin's best boat was the men's four, which excelled to sixth out of 46 boats with a time of 16:19.3. The Penn Athletic Club won the event, followed by two Navy boats; Brown claimed fourth place, while the New York Athletic Club placed fifth.

The boat, with Caroline Pryor as the coxswain, suffered a collision in last weekend's Head of the Charles, but was not jinxed Saturday.

"We had a clean row this week and I was pretty pleased," Devlin said. "They learned something from last week."

Aquil Abdullah stroked the boat, Alex Mundt was the bowman and sophomores Tony Kuhel and Clay Cutshall were the other two standout rowers for Devlin.

"It's the only boat I put in by merit," Devlin said. "We'll go as far as our sophomores carry us."

Devlin was "pleasantly surprised" with the men's club eight's sixth place finish (15:27.4) out of 34 teams. Navy won the race with a 14:35.3, followed by Columbia.

The men's championship eight rowed to 18th with a time of 14:57.9. Brown led the 29-crew field with a time of 13:33, followed at a distance by UPenn's 13:49.9.

SPORTS BRIEF

The GW water polo team placed sixth out of eight teams at the Eastern Water Polo Association Southern Championships this weekend.

Navy beat the Colonials in the first game 21-12.

"Navy was clearly superior," head coach Andy Turnage said of the game. "They're the best team on the East Coast."

GW rebounded in the second game to top Richmond 13-12, as Trevor Rodin scored in the last 25 seconds.

"We were on the ball and we played as a team," Turnage said.

Princeton shut the door on GW in the third game, 15-6. The Colonials turned the ball over 21 times, and Turnage said it was the key to the game.

"You can't win a game without playing offense, and you can't play offense without the ball," he said.

Turnage was upbeat after the tournament for several reasons. The young GW team's finish was GW's highest ever in the conference, and freshman Peter Clifford was voted to the all-tournament team.

"We're definitely looking forward to the future," Turnage concluded.

-Kynan Kelly

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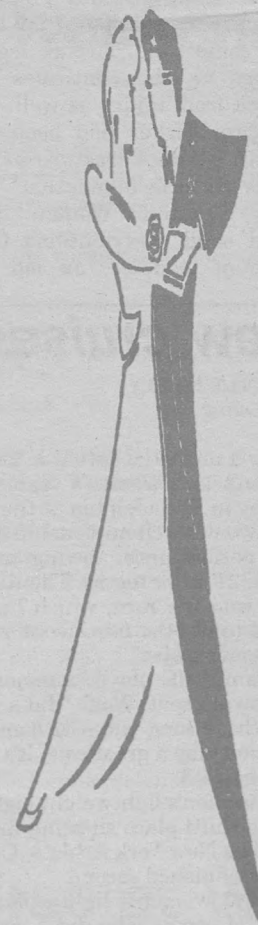
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